

interests I may not cover. But one of the things that the bill does is adjust the fee schedules. As you probably know, the Bureau of Examining Boards, which this bill directly comes from, is authorized in a number of ways to have fees to cover the cost of providing the Bureau of Examining Boards' work they do in these various licensure fields. One of the things they have done is gone to a computer system where they better identify the cost of their work and who they are serving. And so some of the fee adjustments are there to cover better the costs of that board and what the bureau is doing for them and so some fee schedules are adjusted. Again, this is sort of a pay as you go system. The fees cover the costs of the Bureau of Examining Boards. There is no General Fund money. So I don't know that there are some major problems with the bill, with one exception, and I do want to raise this. I don't like to tell you that there is a technical bill when there is something in there that I think maybe some of you have been contacted on that I don't want to have you surprised by. There is a problem with what are called animal technicians that this bill deals with. Animal technicians, right now, serve in a gray area in terms of rabies vaccinations. Some say they can. Some say they can't. It's not really sure. The Health Department said, we want to clarify and the way they wanted to clarify was say, no, you can't provide these vaccinations. So there is language in the bill not allowing animal technicians to give rabies shots. Now, animal technicians and some veterinarians don't like that and have come to the committee and there will be a bill tomorrow that Senator Dierks has and Senator Rogers has that will deal with this issue. But you may get hit by some veterinarians and some animal technicians not liking the language in this bill because it goes from a gray area to an absolute that they cannot have animal technicians giving rabies shots. So I just want to warn you that that is in the bill. It will be looked at tomorrow and that is the only part of the bill I think will have much controversy now that we have adopted the committee amendments. But that is an issue that may come back and I would be more than willing to work with whoever may be interested in that issue.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any discussion? Seeing none, anything further, Senator Wesely? The question is, shall LB 473 be advanced to E & R? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We are voting on the advancement of the bill. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance